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## FARMERS TAKE SEATS ON BOARD OF BANK OF CANADA

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#### EASIER MONEY IS EXPECTED POLICY BANK DIRECTORS

First Meeting of Board of Re-  
constituted Bank of Canada  
Held at Ottawa

#### CATTLE MARKET PLANS

On Trade Agreements Canada  
Must Now "Toe Line"  
Drawn by Britain

By WILFRID EGGLESTON  
Special to The Western Farm Leader

OTTAWA, October 14th.—The first meeting of the directors of the Bank of Canada since it was brought under government control was held last week. There are two representatives of Western financial thought on the board, George G. Coote of Nanton and Robert McQueen of Winnipeg, the latter being a native of Edmonton.

No statement was given out at the conclusion of the meeting on possible changes of financial policy, and the oath of secrecy taken by individual members prevents advance information from filtering out.

#### Expect Compromise Policy

The general impression at Ottawa is that easier money policies will grow out of the change of ownership and control, but that nothing very drastic is to be expected for a while. The present board represents advanced opinion in the persons of three or four members, and somewhat more reactionary doctrine in that of others; and one does not need to be a clairvoyant to know that the policy of the Bank will generally be a compromise between the two points of view.

Whether the Western members will be able to mould the policy of the bank along lines of cheaper money and easier credit remains to be seen. The value of having on the board, in any event, a member such as George Coote who will present the case for the primary producer in general, and the Western farmer in particular, is not to be minimized.

#### Cattle Marketing Facilities

Some improvements in the facilities for marketing live cattle and other agricultural and farm products are being worked out by the Minister of Agriculture.

Dr. G. S. Barton, Deputy Minister, and Dr. J. H. Grisdale, former deputy, have been in Britain studying the sale of live cattle and other products in the United Kingdom. Among other things, they are checking up some proposals and impressions which arose out of Hon. J. G. Gardiner's visit to the Mother Country this summer.

Exactly what the Minister has in mind has not yet been disclosed, but he has \$300,000 for the purpose of assisting in the marketing of agricultural produce, and one probable outcome is the establishment of a small

#### Nascopie Visits Canada's Arctic Ports



Many and varied, and of interest to every Canadian, are the ports of call of the steamship *Nascopie*, during her annual journey through Arctic waters with supplies. R.C.M.P. officers, officials of the Hudson's Bay Company and of the Dominion Government, are her passengers. Above is a scene at Lake Harbor, Baffin Land, where the *Nascopie* called. Supplies are being landed from the ship, which is seen in the left background.

Wheat soared at Winnipeg on Wednesday when more than 1,500,000 bushels of Canadian wheat were sold for export at the highest price in the past six years. A last minute burst of buying lifted October and November futures to \$1.14-7/8.

organization in Britain and another in the United States, to study the needs of the major cattle markets, while at the same time the quality of the products leaving Canada is to be more strictly supervised. It would not surprise Ottawa if either Dr. J. H. Grisdale or H. S. Arkell, or possibly both, were drafted into the new marketing organization.

The Marketing Act will be fairly drastically amended next session, if it gets out of the courts by then. The present Government is opposed to coercive measures in marketing but will bonus and otherwise assist farmer co-operatives.

#### German Trade Talks

Trade talks with German representatives continue. The fact that the mark has clung so far to the gold standard despite the devaluation of the lira and the franc is complicating matters. The German people still remember the disastrous inflation which followed the war. With the mark worth 40 cents in Canadian money, as against an internal value of about

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#### STRONG PACIFIST BODY WANTS FREE IMPORT OF ARMS

Union of Democratic Control  
Demands Government Grant  
Spain Rights Under Law

#### "GRAVE DANGER"

So-Called "Non-Intervention"  
Merely Devise Which Helps  
Fascist-Aided Rebels

LONDON, Oct. 14th.—While at the instance of the British Government, France still refuses to allow the constitutional Government of Spain to import arms as the Government is entitled to do under international law (assistance given to the rebels by Fascist Governments is a violation of international law), the agitation in Britain for a square deal for Spain grows in volume.

The Union of Democratic Control, strongly pacifist in its membership, has opposed rearmament in Europe at every stage, but has now come to the conclusion that to allow Fascism a free hand; to give way whenever it chooses to threaten, and to permit it to conquer Europe through the democratic forces' fear of asserting themselves, is poor business. Ramsay MacDonald was formerly a member of the Union.

In the ruling Conservative party are elements strongly pro-Fascist in tendency, and Rothermere's *Daily Mail* is now a purely Fascist organ. These elements seem willing even to sacrifice British Imperial interests to Mussolini or Hitler rather than to take a stand in behalf of any democratic Government with advanced tendencies. There is money behind the pro-Fascists.

#### Want Assurances

It is this tendency, the uncertainty whether the pro-Fascist elements may not get the upper hand and definitely advance capitalist class interests to first place, even though Britain in the process may come to play second fiddle in the world to the Nazi Germany, that makes British Labor and Liberal and even some democratic Conservative citizens loath to give the Government a free hand in rearmament. They want to be completely assured that the new armaments will be used only in defence of collective security through the League or through co-operation with the Soviet Union and the small democratic states such as Czechoslovakia and the Scandinavian countries, and of course with France.

#### Unjust Discrimination

Dealing with the immediately pressing issue the Union of Democratic Control declares: "There is grave danger that in the interests of non-intervention" (a misused word since all that the friends of Spain ask is that they shall be free like other

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#### Disintegration of the Private Profit System— and Co-operators' Answer

(Co-operative League News Service)

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Oct. 14th.—Co-operative leaders gathered here from all sections of the United States for the Tenth Biennial Congress of the Co-operative League of the U.S.A., heard co-operative officials describe the disintegration of private profit business and point to the growth of co-operatives as a democratic answer to the "horse and buggy" methods of the competitive system.

Dr. James P. Warbasse, President of the Co-operative League, declared in his opening address . . . "The failure of 10,000 banks in sixteen years, the literal insolvency of a business fabric, the growing demoralization of the people due to unemployment and substandard living, the artificial prosperity brought by mortgaging the future, and the evidence of a prostrate country moving with inevitable certainty toward the next prostration, are circumstances which prompt thoughtful citizens to think in terms of remedial and constructive policies."

Scoring the shortsightedness of leaders of profit business, Dr. Warbasse continued, "Those very elements in our society, whose activities are responsible for the disintegration of a business system, refuse to recognize the signs of decay."



SINCE the last issue of this paper, two announcements have been made of interest to farmers generally, particularly those concerned with the problem of debt reduction. The first is the announcement that the action to test out the validity of the recent Debt Reduction Act is now well under way. It is expected that this case will come before the first court sometime in November and will be before the Appeal Court of Alberta in January or February.

#### Questions to be Decided

It is hoped that this case will decide these questions:

1. Whether the Province has the right to legislate with respect to interest rates.
2. Whether the Provincial Act over-rides proposals made and confirmed under the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act.
3. Whether the Act is valid in reducing old debts and extending the time for payment over ten years without interest.

The answer to these questions will settle the fate of the Debt Reduction Act.

#### Board of Review's Policy

The second announcement is in the nature of an interview with the Board of Review under the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act and may be regarded as an official statement of the manner in which that Board is now dealing with debt reduction. As taken from the *Edmonton Bulletin* of Friday, October 9th, the statement reads:

"Since the latter part of September the board has formulated proposals

## Two Important Announcements re Debt Reduction

Testing Out Validity of Alberta Debt Reduction Act—  
Policy of Board of Review Under Farmers'  
Creditors Arrangement Act Set Forth

By HON. J. E. BROWNLEE, K.C., LL.D.

in approximately six cases previously heard at St. Paul and Wetaskiwin, and in addition has issued confirmation orders in a large number of other cases. A confirmation order is the final order making a proposal effective. Three distinct types of cases in which proposals were released this week illustrate generally the nature of the work involved in debt reduction.

"In one case the farmer was able to arrange a loan for \$1500.00. His total liabilities at the time of the hearing amounted to approximately \$3400.00. The board reduced his liabilities to the sum of \$1410.00. This will enable the farmer to pay his debts and make a fresh start.

#### To Give Chance

"In another case, which is out of the ordinary, the farmer's liabilities amounted to \$38,133.48. He farms a half section of land purchased in 1928 for \$24,000.00. Low prices, crop failures and depreciation in the value of his farm lands have all contributed to leave him in a serious financial position, and he has found it impossible to meet the interest on his obligations, let alone reduce the principal of his indebtedness, although he is an efficient farmer. The board reduced his total liabilities to \$7,800.00 which, less \$1,350.00, available in cash from the proceeds of the sale of crop mar-

keted since coming under the Act, left his net liabilities at \$6,450.

#### Interest and Penalties Out

"In another case of an average type, the farmer, who operates a half section of land came to the Board with liabilities of \$11,800.00, owing a Mortgage Company, a Bank, a Machine Company, a Municipal District, and a number of unsecured creditors. The proposal by the Board reduces his total liabilities to \$6,280.00. This farmer has available in cash from the proceeds of the sale of his crop to apply on this indebtedness, the sum of \$800.00, which leaves his net liabilities at \$5,480.00. In this case a reduction of \$1,850.00 was made in the case of the first mortgage held by a Mortgage Company. The claim of a Bank was reduced by \$1,975.00; the claim of the Machine Company by one-half.

"All penalties and interest were removed from the taxes. The claims of all creditors such as merchants and others whose claims arose from goods and services representing the necessities of life were directed to be paid in full, with the elimination of interest, and the claims of all other unsecured creditors, where the debts did not so arise, were reduced by one-half.

"In none of the several proposals has the board allowed interest in excess of five per cent. Generally speaking, payment of the claims of creditors has been spread over a period of ten years on the basis of five per cent of the indebtedness including interest payable over a period of three years, followed by seven per cent payable over three years and there after nine per cent payable over three years, and the balance at the end of the tenth year. If these terms are duly carried out by the farmer, his indebtedness at the end of the period specified will be substantially reduced and to a point where he can readily take care of the reduced balance then owing.

"Of necessity under the provisions of the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act, the board must deal with the individual case on its merits, having regard to insolvency, the applicant's efficiency as a farmer, the productive capacity of the farm, the ability of the farmer to pay, and considerations of that nature. It would therefore be a departure from the guiding principle of the Act, for the board to formulate a proposal, based upon a flat rate of reduction, on a scale applicable to all farmers coming under the Act irrespective of the foregoing considerations.

"The governing principle of the Act is that the debts must be reduced to a point which will enable a farmer to remain on his land, and eventually pay off his liabilities as reduced by the board."

In addition to the above it is understood that the Board in each case now obtains a valuation of assets from the valuers of the Soldier Settlement, Board and endeavors to consolidate the total debts at not more than 70 per cent of the value of the applicant's assets.

#### Benefits Compared

Comparing the benefits under the Debt Reduction Act with those now

to be obtained from the Board of Review, the following appears:

1. The Debt Reduction Act fixes the amount due as of the 1st July, 1932, less any payments since that date. The Board of Review treats each case on its merits and fixes the total debt burden at what the farmer can pay out.
2. The former Act calls for no interest for ten years. The Board of Review asks for 5 per cent.
3. The Act calls for payment of the debt by three payments of 5 per cent, four of 10 per cent and three of 15 per cent. The Board calls for three payments of 5 per cent, three of 7 per cent and three of 9 per cent, and in many cases this includes interest.
4. The Act applies to all debts prior to July, 1932, regardless of the merits as between debtor and creditor. The Board has regard to the merits.

No general statement can be made as to which procedure will give the greater benefit to the debtor. If payments have been made since July, 1932, the Act probably gives the greater reduction. If no payments have been made or if the amount of unsecured claims is large, the Board's proposals will no doubt be more beneficial.

#### In Drought Affected Areas

I am inclined to think that in areas suffering from drought over a number of years, an application to the Board is of the greater value. There is of course the other consideration that the Supreme Court of Canada has declared the decisions of the Board valid and binding on all creditors, while the validity of the Act is uncertain.

Debt reduction and adjustment is now in full swing and the sooner creditors and debtors get together and get this problem behind us, the better for every one concerned. In the meantime it is probably not too early to say a word of warning.

Farmers had better start at once giving some thought to next year's seed grain and the expenses of next year's farm operations. Grain prices are not likely to be much lower and credit for farming operations may well be about the rarest thing imaginable.

#### To Erect Memorial Tablet

Leader Requested to Advise Any  
Persons Who Served in Royal  
Montreal Regiment

A committee of past commanding officers, and others of the Royal Montreal Regiment, have undertaken the erection of a memorial tablet to the officers and men of the regiment who gave their lives in its service during the Great War.

The tablet will be of Bronze and will have a receptacle in its base for a Book of Memory in which will be inscribed on parchment the names of all those to whom the tablet is dedicated. Embodied in the design will be the crests of the 14th Battalion, The Royal Montreal Regiment, the 23rd Reserve Battalion and the 58th Westmount Rifles.

The tablet will be erected within the regiment's armoury, which was also erected and dedicated as a memorial to those who made the supreme sacrifice. The unveiling of the memorial tablet will take place on Sunday, November 8th, this year, following a reunion of the regiment on November 7th.

In order that ex-members of the Royal Montreal Regiment, now scattered throughout Canada, may have an opportunity to participate in the erection of the memorial to their fallen comrades, *The Western Farm Leader* has been requested to announce that a subscription list is now open. Contributions should be sent to the Honorary Treasurer, Capt. W. A. Fowler, P.O. Box 352, Station B, Montreal.

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## Correspondence

The editor welcomes correspondence from readers on the issues of the day, particularly on subjects of practical importance to the farm people. The writer of every letter will be fully responsible for opinions expressed, which may or may not be those of the editor, and it is hoped that various points of view will be represented.

### THINKS GIVE TOO MUCH CREDIT

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

In an editorial of October 2nd you suggest that the Debt Reduction plan of the Saskatchewan Government was influenced by the Alberta Debt Reduction Act. I think perhaps you give the Alberta Government too much credit, but perhaps that is better than undue criticism.

The Saskatchewan plan is reported to be the result of conference, which implies previous consideration, by correspondence and otherwise. It was evidently inspired by the serious conditions in Saskatchewan for a number of years which are intensified by this year's drought.

In these days we hear much about the juggernaut methods of "high finance" and "soulless corporations," but the fact remains they are administered by individuals who, like ourselves cannot be entirely insensible to the distress of their fellowmen. Moreover, even our financial system cannot go on indefinitely administering and trying to collect debts which can never be paid.

Therefore it is imperative that they frankly admit the impossibility of repayment, take their loss, and get down on to a lower level from which they have some prospect of operating at a profit.

Yours truly,

F. D. PARKER.

Madden, Alberta.

### UNITY FOR ACTION

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:  
Dear Sir:

In my last letter I came to the conclusion that your readers agreed with me that an autocratic embryo had become established in Canada and was developing at a fair rate of speed; also that the easiest time to destroy an embryo was in its infancy.

Therefore, if we desire to maintain, not merely a semblance of democracy, but democracy in its truest sense, it behooves us to take immediate and decisive action to destroy this embryonic octopus that is entwining its tentacles in such an insidious way around our democratic institutions and throttling them.

### United Action

But to do this effectively we must have united action founded on the basic principle of "Brotherhood"; and I want to warn you that while we are wasting our time wrangling amongst ourselves, the autocratic embryo continues to develop.

I believe we are all agreed that "A Co-operative Commonwealth" is the ideal state. In the final analysis, that is the aim of the communists, that is what Russia eventually hopes to attain, that is what all "left wing" organizations have in view.

After a careful analysis of the circumstances and conditions as they exist in Canada today, I am firmly convinced that the C.C.F. program offers a common ground of unity of all "left wing" groups on which we can take common action, and, as it is an elastic program, as circumstances and conditions change the program can be altered to meet the change. It is a progressive program. I would appeal to every individual, and every group of individuals who have the "Brotherhood of Man" as their guiding principle, and who are sincere in their desire to solve our social and economic problems in a way that will bring about social and economic equality, to forget all personal and technical differences of opinion and view the question of unity strictly on

## Tribes Want British Mandate, Ethiopia

GENEVA. — Petitions have been received by the British Government from Galla tribes in Western Ethiopia, urging the establishment of a British mandate. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, informed the credentials committee of the League of Nations.

The Galla chieftains were informed that the British Government was not in a position to accept such a mandate.

It appears that the chieftains sought the assistance of the British consul at Gore and the Sudan district commissioner at Gambeila, in preparing a petition to the League asking that Britain accept a mandate for the Western part of Ethiopia.

the merits of the "Brotherhood of Man."

There is another group which, more than any other, perhaps, should be 100 per cent behind the move for a Co-operative Commonwealth, and that is the Canadian Legion.

There are three groups—Social Credit, Equitist and Technocrats—that have an important part to play in the solution of our problem; but they are so infatuated with the belief that their plan alone is the solution that it is hopeless to try to convince them otherwise until they have had a practical demonstration to the contrary. But that is going to waste valuable time that should be put to better use; for, while we are experimenting with "shortcuts" to prosperity, the autocratic embryo is growing.

If we could convince these groups that their plans are only cogs in the wheel and that as the whole wheel is completed their cogs would automatically take their place in a completed whole, we would be making progress.

But, until we have national development of all our natural resources, public ownership of all public utilities and ownership of the implements of production vested in the producers, none of these "shortcuts" is going to give any lasting solution to our social and economic problems.

A. LUNAN:

Northmark, Alta.

### THE PERFECT TEAM

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

Who has not seen old Doll and Bess on every farm where the owner is a horse-man; perfect team-mates, even pullers, anticipating each other's actions, obeying the teamster's slightest hint?

On account of their near perfection "Doll and Bess" are always used on those jobs which one can only hope to accomplish with the help of the highest trained intelligence of teams such as they.

We know of another pair of team-mates, the counterparts of those described above, who collaborate with just such perfect precision. They belong to the "capitalist system." The near-side member of the team is named "Exploitation" and its team-mate is "Terminological Inexactitude."

Mr. Winston Churchill in the House of Commons at Westminster was challenged as to the veracity of an unusually "tall one," and admitted it was a terminological inexactitude; incidentally there is another word for that which is in more general use.

The full benefit of the essence of the capitalist system can not be obtained without the use of The Team.

In all its ramifications and perfections it is just as inherently wrong as the unjust scale and dealings under the system are no more ethical than those of the Riff pirates off the coast of Morocco who boarded the passing merchant shipping, taking all the tribute the traffic could bear.

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## THE WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS

The annual convention of the Alberta section of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association, which was held in Calgary last week, served to call attention to the important role which the weekly newspapers are playing in the life of the Province. The Convention was well attended; and the discussions worthy of the tradition which has been established by the Association.

Among the publishers and editors many different points of view upon public issues are represented. Many of the editors have differed quite positively with the majority of their readers upon questions which have recently been to the fore in this Province. Yet they retain the respect of their public.

This is no doubt due in part to the close contact which is maintained between editors and readers in the communities they serve; the average citizen respects a man who is courageous enough to express his own honest beliefs, even when some of these beliefs may not be popular.

That is one reason why any attempt to impose restrictions upon freedom of expression in the newspapers of Alberta is likely to meet with very determined resistance in rural communities.

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The secretary of the Association, H. G. McCrea of the *Hanna Herald*, was regrettably absent from the Convention this year owing to ill-health. Mr. McCrea is one of the chief architects of the influence of the Association; he has given his time freely to the service of his colleagues, and in doing so has been serving not merely the weekly publishers but Alberta rural interests in general. He was unanimously re-elected, and Miss McCrea, who most capably took his place in the Convention, was named as his assistant. The Convention wished him a speedy recovery from illness.

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## FREEDOM FOR NEWSPAPERMEN

In the United States the Newspaper Guild, whose growth and development have been due in part to Roosevelt's policies, which make the organization of every class of producers easier than it was before the days of the New Deal, is carrying on a vigorous campaign

in behalf of all news and editorial writers on the metropolitan dailies. It is meeting with a great measure of success.

The *Calgary Albertan* in a recent issue stressed the need for independence on the part of writers for the press. We should like to suggest that it could render an invaluable service, not only to newspapermen, but to the public as well, by inviting Heywood Broun, president of the Newspaper Guild, to visit Canada and place his services at the disposal of the staff of our dailies, including, of course, and perhaps especially, *The Albertan*.

To give writers for the daily press the advantage of Guild organization would not only bring improved living standards to workers on the worst paid newspapers; it would make possible an immense advance in newspaper ethics. Newspaper ethics is in fact surprisingly high in view of all the circumstances. It could be raised immeasurably if a powerful Newspaper Guild could be established, with power to protect its members.

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## "PEREGRINATING IMPERIALISTS"

(*New Commonwealth*, Toronto)

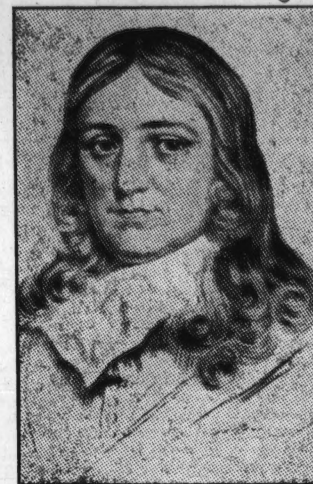
We have had a visit and a speech from Lord Elibank and now the redoubtable Colonel Amery is amongst us. That there will be an increasing stream of such visitors is to be expected, that they will make speeches is not surprising, that their speeches are reactionary is not astonishing, and to this fate we lesser breeds without the law must become hardened.

For ourselves, we do not regret these visits or these speeches. They serve admirably to underline the disastrous features of the National government's foreign policy and to emphasize its essentially reactionary character. The consequence of these speeches we believe, is to harden the determination of Canadians to pursue their own policy, be it isolation or co-operation, according to their own judgment and interests. Where we think Mr. Ian Mackenzie erred is not in replying to Lord Elibank, for example, but suggesting that Lord Elibank had no right to speak. Our view is let him and his fellows speak and speak frankly. Then, we know what is in the wind and can take our own course of action regardless.

## Most Perfect Example

Colonel Amery, from this point of view, is a boon. He is an almost perfect example of the die-hard, old-fashioned Bourbon imperialist who has learned nothing and forgotten nothing. The League of Nations, according to his radio and platform addresses, is to be reduced to a polite debating society, and sanctions provisions are to be abandoned. In place of a world collective system, there

## Milton on Licensing the Press



JOHN MILTON

"Give me the liberty to know, to utter, and to argue freely according to conscience above all other liberties. . . . And though all the winds of doctrine were let loose to play upon the earth, so truth be in the field, we do injuriously by licensing and prohibiting to misdoubt her strength."—John Milton, 1644.

It is nearly three hundred years since the case for freedom of the press from arbitrary control by kings was presented by the great Englishman quoted above. Threats to control the press by a licensing system have recently been made in Alberta.

are to be alliances. Collective security, he said in Winnipeg, is a dangerous dream. These alliances, the substitute for collective security, are to be backed by armed force equal to the armed force, presumably, of rival alliances. Communism is the same enemy as Fascism; Britain is to assume no obligations in eastern Europe, that is to say, she is to abandon her obligations under the covenant to assist in the defence of Czecho-Slovakia and other eastern states if attacked by Germany.

In a word, Col. Amery proposes a return to the pre-war system of alliances, to competitive armament, and to anarchy. This proposal is wrapped up in a fine flow of democratic language in the hope that it will be palatable to Canadians, and that Canadians will support the National government in such a policy.

We are convinced, however, that Colonel Amery's speeches will have the precisely opposite effect to that he intends. The old spirit of "ready, aye ready" is almost dead, and the mere assertion of imperial unity is not enough to commit Canadians to wrong policies. The policy that Colonel Amery advocates nauseates the majority of Canadians, and weakens rather than strengthens the lingering elements of sentimental imperialism.

There is only one possibility of Canadian participation in a European war. That possibility lies in our support of a collective peace system. There is no possibility of a united Canadian people joining a raw power alliance designed to stereotype the status quo in Europe, even if that power alliance involves Great Britain.



## ROOSEVELT SAYS DROUGHT AID IS GOOD INVESTMENT

**Every Million Spent to Aid  
Drought-Stricken Farmers  
Will Save Ten Million**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4th.—Every million dollars spent now to give continued financial aid to the farmers in the drought areas of the United States will save ten million in the future, and is therefore well worth while, is the burden of President Roosevelt's reply to critics of his policy of agricultural relief.

The present administration, the President has made clear in the face of criticism from powerful financial quarters, have no regrets concerning the help given to the farmers who have been the victims of the niggardliness of nature. The administration will keep on with its spending policy regardless of Wall Street.

The drought in the West has left 200,000 families to be cared for, apart from some hundreds of thousands who, while they will not be absolutely dependent upon the administration, have been plunged into grave financial circumstances.

## Dairy Producers to Maintain Their Own Organization

Dairy products producers throughout Canada are determined to maintain their own organization, and are anxious to work with producers of all classes for the general improvement of agriculture through the proposed Canadian Chamber of Agriculture. This was the message brought to Alberta last week by H. B. Cowan, secretary of the Canadian Dairy Farmers' Federation, with headquarters at Peterboro, Ontario.

Mr. Cowan is making a trip through the West in the interests of his Federation, and of the Canadian Chamber of Agriculture, of which he is the acting secretary. While in the Province he had opportunity of meeting several groups of dairymen and of discussing with them the problems of dairying, particularly marketings. Producers who met with him state they were struck with the great similarity between the marketing problems of East and West. "When he talked of the marketing of milk in London, Ottawa, or Toronto, one only had to substitute the names, Calgary, Lethbridge or Edmonton, to make the subject purely local. The grievances of producers were identical," one dairyman said.

### Represents 200,000 Dairy Farmers

The Dairy Federation represents some 200,000 dairy farmers of Canada. What a tribute it is to them that they have the vision to establish a national organization to protect their interests? From what can be learned, the Federation already has made some valuable contributions to the producers, and the members confidently expect that as the organizations grow in age, the producers' interests will be more and more protected.

The dairymen of Canada seem to have given a lead to the cattlemen, the hog raisers and the sheepmen. It offers a splendid example of the value of co-ordinated effort, something we have often referred to in this column as lacking in Western Canada.

As secretary pro tem of the Canadian Chamber of Agriculture Mr. Cowan is now preparing for the first meeting of the Chamber to be held in Toronto during the month of November. It is expected that at this meeting the organization will be effected, and the Chamber officially established. It is to be hoped that Alberta farmers will be adequately represented at this important gathering.

## Stately Alcazar Reduced to Ruins



In a recent issue *The Western Farm Leader* published a view of the famous Alcazar, magnificent, fortress-like "city hall" of Toledo, Spain. The above picture shows a part of the wreckage of the once imposing building, made by Loyalist artillery. The rebels fortified themselves in the Alcazar, and though repeatedly urged to send the women and children who were with them out of the fighting zone to safety, refused to do so. "One of the most shocking things in the siege," remarked *The New Statesmen*, "was the refusal of the rebel garrison to let the women and children out." Some of the rebel males and most of the women and children were alive when the siege was raised as the rebels took Toledo.

## Co-op. Groups Now Make One-third of United States Butter

Direct descendants of the old-fashioned "skimming stations" that antedated the development of the hand-separator, more than 1,400 modern co-operative creameries now handle more than one-third of the butter production of the United States, T. G. Stitts, dairy economist of the U.S. Farm Credit Administration, recently announced.

"Our studies have shown conclusively," he declared, "that creamery associations which have rendered the finest service, and have progressed farthest as commercial successes, are those which are founded on sound co-operative principles.

"They are the ones in which patrons are given the exclusive right to control, and where the patrons exercise that right intelligently in their own interests. They are financed by patrons in such a way that capital charges are reduced to a minimum, and that turnover of membership does not jeopardize the finances of the organization.

"They are so operated that all patrons share equitably in the benefits and costs of the services rendered. They are composed of a sufficient number of patrons to provide volume for the most efficient operation, and are assured of this volume by conscious decisions of patrons that through unified action each may best serve his individual purpose."

That the patrons must be the sole beneficiaries also was emphasized by Mr. Stitts. To be so, they must assume the necessary obligations, and all participation in benefits or obligations must be on an equitable basis. This means the co-operative relationship between the creameries and the patrons must follow along the four fundamental aspects of control, financing, patronage, and participation



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## The Life Story of Toyohiko Kagawa

By HELEN TOPPING

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**R**EASONS why many middlemen and small business men are becoming interested in the co-operatives were set forth in the last chapter, in which the author advanced reasons why the chain store rather than the co-operative is the real menace to the independent retailer. She described the manner in which, even among citizens of the United States whose immediate interest may seem to be threatened, the belief that an economic system based on the distribution of abundance rather than the making of profits based on scarcity, is growing steadily.

### CHAPTER XIV

The churches have a great opportunity here. For hundreds of years they have been educating their members in the teachings of the Bible. "He that will be greatest among you, let him become least of all and servant of all." (Mark 9:44.) What is this but the business man becoming the employee of his own customers? Now of course, to do so he may have to give up some of his inflated prestige based on the mere possession of money. It may take a redemption as well as an education to change his attitudes and desires to such an extent.

"Christ was prophet, priest and king," Kagawa says, and in developing this Co-operative Movement we need first of all the work of the prophet,

who is the educator. We need a lot of education—from six months to a year of it at the outset. The priest is a redeemer. We have done a great deal of soul saving in individual religion, and we need to do some in social religion as well. The pastor may have to do a great deal of the work of redemption among his own business-men church members, but when the work has proceeded far enough the work of the king can commence.

The king is the organizer, and it says in the Book of Revelations that we are all meant to be kings. In the Consumers' Co-operative Movement, where the people's initiative is evoked and integrated, we attain to this collective kingship. The ideal for the

## There Are Differences

Is there any difference between Pool elevators and line elevator companies? The latter seem anxious to prove that both are the same, but there are several essential differences.

1. Alberta Pool Elevators are the property of 43,000 Alberta grain producers. They are built for service and not for profit. This is not the case with line elevator companies.
2. The finances and operations of Pool elevators are an open book. Each year they are scrutinized by seventy delegates who are representatives of the producers. The detailed operations of the whole system and of each and every Pool elevator are thus obtainable from elected delegates. Is there one line elevator company who will provide customers with such information?
3. The Pools use the grain exchange. But this does not imply an idolatrous attitude towards that organization. The Pools believe that the demonstrated weakness of the speculative system during the depression had a serious reflection in the collapse of agriculture, and that a national wheat board would have offered greater protection. The line elevator companies are not in favour of a national wheat board and never were. John I. McFarland, who conducted stabilization of wheat prices for five years, testified: "Theoretically the open futures system is an ideal system for the handling of wheat, if it works; but when it fails to function, as it has failed, because of world-wide subsidies, over-supply and absence of speculators to carry the hedges, then my sympathy leans entirely toward the producer and his protection."
4. The Pools believe the Canadian wheat producers should be given assistance and protection to as great a degree at least as other interests in Canada. The Pools maintain that agriculture is Canada's most important industry and cannot be neglected. The grain trade, on the other hand, continually campaigned for marketing Canada's wheat at "world prices."
5. The grain trade say that the Pools' operations cost millions. "That is a pure fabrication. Under the McFarland stabilization operations Canadian farmers produced, and marketed the surpluses of, wheat crops totalling more than one billion bushels, and Canadian prices were maintained at a substantially higher level than those of competing countries. For months the Canadian premiums ran as high as 25c a bushel over prices of competitive wheat."
6. The Pools believe that agriculture needs an aggressive co-operative organization supporting its interests and reflecting the expressed wishes of producers and not subservient to vested interest. The line elevator companies ARE vested interests.
7. The line elevator companies resent being designated as a "family compact," but the very advertisement denying this relationship was a joint affair and tends to substantiate the statement.

Far-seeing grain producers will support

## Alberta Pool Elevators

## Co-operatives Acquire New Home



The new eight story "Pure Oil Building" in downtown section of Columbus, Ohio, recently opened by the Ohio Farm Bureau, is shown in the above picture. It contains 90,000 square feet of floor space and will allow the organization to consolidate all of its offices.

business man then becomes different from the old divine right of the multi-millionaires. When we beheaded King Charles I, I think we beheaded the divine right of kings. At least, since then we have never had quite the same friendliness for the idea. (Don't think that I approve of any kind of violence, but this is merely a fact in the history of long ago.) In the same way, when Insull was exposed recently, even though nominally acquitted, I think that the divine right of multi-millionaires was similarly decapitated.

We have already passed into a new era, and perhaps the head of the Swedish Co-operative Union might be a good example of it. He has been offered a salary of \$100,000 a year in capitalist business, but he prefers to put his \$100,000 ability at the service of the Co-operative Movement. There he gets \$5,000 a year, but he has the love of the whole Swedish people and the prestige based not upon inflated money power, but upon genuine service to the whole community. He also has permanent security. Popular magazines in America are publishing articles about the happy state of Sweden today because of the large amount of co-operative business which is interpenetrating the existing capitalist system there.

Kagawa says there are seven forms of the Co-operative Movement which we need in an interlocking and international system to guarantee both peace and plenty for all. (We might reduce these seven to four, because the last three are all different forms of consumers' co-operatives.)

The first form is the basic store form, the consumers' co-operative of which we have been talking.

The second is the producers' co-operative, which grew out of the consumers' movement in Denmark. It was Pastor Sonne there who was preaching to harbor laborers down on the quay, away out of his usual environment, when they said: "Reverend Pastor, it is very good that you teach us to find God, but could you not also help us to find our daily bread?"

Sonne accepted this challenge, and began to look about for a method. Providentially, at that moment a friend informed him about the little movement that had just started in Rochdale, and he began it in Denmark. Later a business man, Jorgensen by name, devoted his life and his fortune to extending this movement. Still later, because Denmark is chiefly agricultural, the greatest development came in producers' societies out in the country.

We have no space here to tell the wonderful story of Denmark, of how this movement has really

## Co-op Does Business for 125,000 Families in State of Ohio Now

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Oct. 14th.—Climaxing seventeen years of spectacular growth in the service of Ohio agriculture, the Ohio Farm Bureau has completed the transfer of its properties at 620 and 632 East Broad Street, Columbus, for the eight-story Pure Oil Building.

"Rapidly expanding services of the farm bureau have necessitated larger quarters for some time, and the new headquarters will allow the convenient and effective housing of all of our facilities under one roof," said Murray D. Lincoln, executive secretary of the farm organization today in announcing the transaction.

Present quarters of the farm bureau, acquired by the Pure Oil Company in exchange for the downtown edifice, will serve as the principal offices of the petroleum firm, whose general offices were moved to Chicago a few years ago.

Organized in 1919 by a small group of Ohio farmers to better their conditions through co-operative marketing, the Ohio Farm Bureau has advanced in a decade and a half to a state federation of county farm bureaus and co-operative service organizations serving various needs of 125,000 rural and urban families. Beginning operations in a one-room office, and forced to move three times thereafter by the need for more space, the organization's ten affiliated service co-operatives now involve the services of more than 2400 employees, including 476 in the state office.

Co-operative marketing and purchasing, centralized in the Farm Bureau Co-operative Association, now total in annual volume approximately \$5,000,000. Farm bureau insurance services include auto, fire, and life insurance protection, and serve seven neighboring states in addition to Ohio. The Farm Bureau Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, with assets totalling four and one-half million dollars, is now the eighth largest mutual casualty company in the land.

Under the leadership of the Farm Bureau Rural Electrification Co-operative, 59 counties have rural power projects organized, and six counties have lines under construction. The Farm Bureau Agricultural Credit Corporation has loaned nearly \$1,000,000 to members for farm finance.

The Farm Bureau Co-operative Association is a member of the Farm Bureau Oil Company, Indianapolis; the Co-operative League of the U.S.A.; National Co-operatives, Inc.; and the International Co-operative Wholesale Society, London.

The Farm Bureau Co-operative Association was host to the Tenth Biennial Congress of the Co-operative League held in Columbus, October 8th to 10th.

saved it from economic despair, but we may remark in passing that Kagawa says Denmark is the most Christian country in the world, because of the excellent balance it has between the consumer and producer sides of the Co-operative Movement.

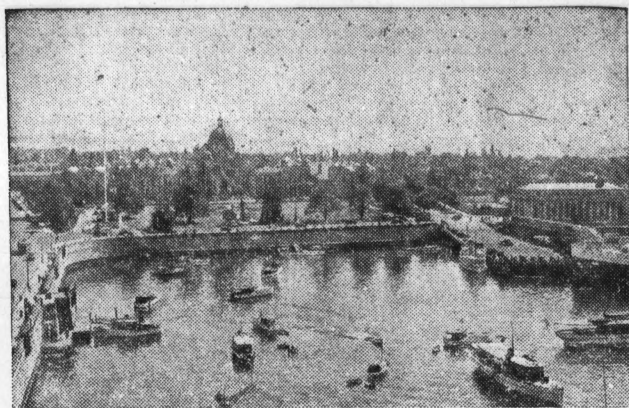
The Danish farmer, they say, is a member of five or six different sorts of co-operatives at the same time. Practically all his economic operations are carried on co-operatively, and his income, from being one of the worst, has in about eighty years risen to be the best average income of all the farmers of Europe. His degree of culture is way ahead of that of the average American farmer. Every Danish farmer has his library full of books, a special room devoted to them. He is interested in all world affairs; and when he goes to his farmers' dinner parties, they say he wears a dress suit!

(Next Chapter: Why Denmark abolished her navy. The last two of the seven forms of the Co-operative Movement—the insurance co-operatives and the mutual aid co-operatives.)



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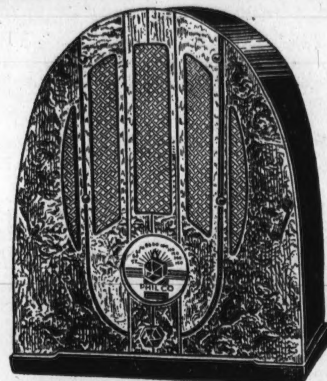
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# Current News from Near and Far

## PROVINCIAL

Dean William Kerr of the University of Alberta has been appointed President.

Choice livestock is being sent from Alberta to the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto.

Alberta's July production of petroleum was 122,771 barrels, the highest in five years.

Indications are that attendance at the University of Alberta this year will constitute a record.

By vote of the Calgary City Council aldermen will in future receive an annual payment of \$500 each.

H. W. Bryant, Drumheller, was elected President of the Drumheller Inspectorate Teachers' Association.

Two thousand head of cattle from the drought area have been moved to packing plants for processing, stated Hon. W. N. Chant.

Concern was expressed by Premier Wm. Aberhart that some Social Creditors have been refusing to take Alberta scrip.

Manslaughter charge against Henry S. Wilson of Black Diamond in connection with an automobile accident was quashed by Mr. Justice Ford on an appeal.

The number of unemployed in Alberta now exceeds 10,000. In Canada as a whole unemployment is decreasing, but in Alberta it is increasing.

G. S. Peck of Oyen is the fifth Justice of Peace to be compelled to resign his position in recent weeks. E. G. Turner of Brooks, who resigned a few days previously, was informed by G. B. Henwood, Deputy Attorney General, "I have been receiving a good many complaints regarding your work as police magistrate and also with regard to your attitude towards the Government and its policies." Mr. Turner asked an investigation of the charges but was denied it. W. P. Roberts of Hanna who also was forced to resign as magistrate, has also been relieved of his post as juvenile court judge.

Following a report in the press that amounts ranging from six to over ten million dollars in securities and savings have been moved from Calgary to other Provinces in recent months owing to fear that they might be attached by the Provincial Government, Premier Aberhart, issued statements to the effect that no action to confiscate anybody's property was contemplated by the Government. He suggested that the removal of funds had been occasioned by publication of the report. Financial men interviewed subsequently stated that ninety-five per cent of the bank deposits and negotiable and non-negotiable securities were shipped out of Calgary before the press report appeared. One trust firm placed the total at 16 million dollars.

Hail losses in Alberta in 1936 exceeded those of 1935 according to the Alberta Hail Insurance Board.

Two code administrators, one to be stationed in Calgary and the other in Edmonton, will be named shortly.

Peter Bergos of Drumheller Junior Wheat Club was declared champion at the second annual Junior Seed Fair held in Drumheller.

Two were captured and one escaped in a gun-battle at Crossfield between R.C.M.P. officers and alleged bandits.

The Alberta Conservative Association through its advisory and executive committees has issued a statement expressing its willingness to co-operate "with any movement in Alberta designed to promote good government, stability, happiness of citizens and the tradition of British Constitutional law."

Proposals for farmers to take over the central and western sections of the irrigation block will be made to the C.P.R. by a central committee of approximately 30 farmers. The plan will be similar to the one adopted when farmers took over the Brooks district, now the Eastern Irrigation Company.

Alberta is not likely to be able to meet maturing obligations on November 1st and assistance will have to be sought from the Federal Government, Hon. W. W. Cross, Minister of Health, stated at Hanna. The issues are said to include 1-1/4 million 6 per cent bonds due on that date. On November 25th one million dollars 4 per cent bonds are due.

Russia now offers a possible market for 100,000 head of Canadian cattle per year, stated G. G. Serkau, Montreal trader in an interview in Calgary. Mr. Serkau arranged for a Russian purchase of 100,000 head of cattle in exchange for anthracite and petroleum in 1933 but an embargo then imposed by the Canadian government prevented the consummation of the transaction.

## DOMINION

Senator Charles McDonald died at Vancouver, age 69 years.

Canada is negotiating trade pacts with France and Germany.

Tear-gas was used by the police of Vancouver to disperse 300 men who forced their way into a relief depot.

Amalgamated civil servants of Canada plan to combat the patronage system and extend the merit system to all branches of the service.

Dr. R. C. Wallace, former president of the University of Alberta, took over the principalship of Queen's last week.

Federal Government's revenues for the first six months of the current fiscal year were \$34,748,690 greater than for the same period a year ago.

Need for a complete soil survey of the drought areas of the prairie

provinces as a basis for rehabilitation was stressed by the Hon. J. G. Gardiner.

Relief grants to the Provinces will not be increased, stated the Hon. E. Lapointe.

Canada will be represented on a committee of 28 nations which are to study reform of the League of Nations.

Private firms will undertake a plane service in connection with the air-mail to be started next year.

Financial facilities for carrying out the enlarged housing plan of the Dominion Government may be given by the Canadian Bankers' Association.

Canada is "defense conscious" stated the Hon. Ian McKenzie, Minister of National Defense at Victoria. Nature of the plans for a program of defense was a question for the Government "upon advice from its experts."

Removal of restrictions upon Canada's trade with Russia will not conflict with the Canada-United Kingdom trade agreements, stated the Hon. D. Euler, minister of Trade and Commerce.

The Dominion Government will assist Alberta with loans for its eighty to one hundred and twenty municipal drought areas if the Alberta Government first secures an understanding with the mortgage loan companies, Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, stated.

Canada may lose its wheat market in China "if the Japanese have their way there," stated the Hon. H. Ferguson, former Canadian High Commissioner to Great Britain, speaking in Winnipeg. He added, "I do not believe they will rest until their people spread themselves all over the larger portion of China and until they command the markets of China for their own products."

## WORLD

Germany is speeding fortifications along the French border.

King Edward VIII will open the first Parliament of the new reign on November 3rd.

Immense quantities of food as well as medical supplies have been sent to Madrid from the Soviet Union.

Chancellor Schuschnigg of Austria has dissolved all private armies, including the army of von Starhemberg, pro-Italian, and his own.

United States naval fighting power has been reduced since July 1st, while other nations have been increasing theirs, a Washington official report states.

Entries in the air race from Britain to South Africa have been cut down by reason of the large number of sales of aeroplanes to Spanish buyers, mainly rebels, it is reported from London.

Talks between Rt. Hon. W. L. MacKenzie King, Canadian Prime Minister and Leon Blum, French Prime Minister, in Paris, are likely to lead to an increase in Canada's exports to France, according to cabled despatches.

The recent session of the League of Nations Assembly attracted comparatively little interest and was described as unsatisfactory by many of those who attended. Anthony Eden affirmed the British Government's intention to be guided in its policies by the interests of the League.

Efforts are being made in England to ban a picture of Balalaeva, made in Hollywood. The reason is that in representing "The Charge of the Light Brigade," horses' lives were sacrificed in making the film. Many were injured in the charge and had to be destroyed.

Britain, France and the U.S. form a new gold bloc, since France devalued the franc. They will exchange gold reserves with one another, but not with states which do not enter into currency agreements. It is believed that by this means an increasing number of countries may be brought into the bloc.

Hitler protested to the French Government through the Paris embassy against a speech delivered in Alsace-Lorraine Sunday by a communist member of the chamber of deputies and against the display of a cartoon of *Der Fuehrer*. The French Government is acting deliberately and have not offered an apology. Freedom of speech, it is pointed out, still remains in France.

Charges that Italy and Germany and Portugal have been violating the "neutrality" agreement, by giving extensive assistance to the Spanish rebels, are made by the Spanish Government and the Soviet Union. A meeting of the neutrality committee was held on Russia's assistance and it was proposed to investigate. The inquiry is taking place in a leisurely fashion while Spanish rebels, well-armed and with a powerful air fleet, approach Madrid. Russia has repeated her demand that assistance to the rebels by the Fascist powers cease, and has called for a blockade of the Portuguese coast.

## STRONG PACIFIST BODY

(Continued from page 1)

countries to import arms), "there may be unjust discrimination against the Government of Spain.

"With the ordinary help from friendly powers, and the support of the overwhelming majority of the Spanish people who elected it, the Spanish Government could almost certainly have crushed the rebellion in Spain itself and probably could have succeeded in regaining the position in Morocco.

"But it has not been left alone. From the beginning Fascist powers have given help to the rebels, while democratic Governments have confined themselves so far to urging a principle of non-intervention which amounts, in fact, to a recognition of equal belligerent rights to a rebel conspiracy against a constitutional government.

## Wide Suspicions

"The British Government is widely suspected of sympathizing with the Fascist revolt rather than with the Spanish Government." Such suspicions, the Union believes, should be removed.

"In these circumstances," the statement continues, "we urge the British Government to give the Spanish Government all the help it is legally qualified to give." The Union goes on to point out that according to Article 11 of the constitution of the League of Nations, "any war or threat of war, whether immediately affecting any of the members of the League or not, is hereby declared a matter of concern to the whole League, and the League shall take any action that may be deemed wise and effectual to safeguard the peace of nations."

In view of the fact that the League has met and Spain has been snubbed and her rights as a member ignored, it seems unlikely that the British Government will act on the Union's request.

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## Readers Continue to Send Congratulations and Good Wishes to "The Western Farm Leader"

Officers of Locals of Farmers' Organizations and Individual Readers Express Views in Forwarding Subscriptions

Many messages of goodwill have been received by *The Western Farm Leader* from readers in all parts of the Province and beyond it, in letters accompanied by their subscriptions. In numerous cases Locals of the U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. are taking up the matter of circulation, and assisting in expanding it. There are many evidences that the paper continues to be welcomed, and that there is a desire on the part of readers, both members of the Association and others, to assist in establishing it. This can be done by forwarding subscriptions, and especially, where the opportunity exists, by participation in our Subscription Contest which is described on page 6 of this issue.

### A Misunderstanding

In some cases members of the U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. who have written or called at the office, have been under the impression that the subscription to the paper is included in their membership dues. As we explained in our first issue and have done on one occasion since, it is not so included. The paper is dependent for its revenues entirely upon new subscriptions and advertising. As it does not receive any part of the membership dues, only those who send in subscriptions are entitled to receive it.

A veteran member of the U.F.A. near Lethbridge, who made inquiries the other day, upon being advised that a new subscription was necessary, subscribed and wrote: "The matter is now cleared up, and I shall know in future that membership and paper subscriptions are now quite separate things. Wishing the paper every success."

In some cases Locals have sent in subscriptions for all of their members, and in others we have been advised that such a course will be followed now that harvest operations are completed.

From among many messages received we quote a few below:

"Enclosed please find \$2.00 subscription for your paper. Glad to see you still keeping up the good work."—G. T. Skinner, Riverton.

"Find enclosed subscription. A real treat to read your facts compared with the lovely slush we get in some of the others."—H. E. Russell, Ponoka.

"I was tickled pink when I received your first issue for we need both you and Miss Turner working for us. Folks will get tired of blind-alley roads to prosperity and will eventually use their power of reason which is about the last thing humanity consents to do. The Co-operative State must and will eventually evolve, and in keeping the torch of co-operation burning you are rendering valuable service."—Gordon Parker, Loverna, Sask.

"I don't want to miss a single copy of your paper. Sorry I did not forward the dollar sooner."—John Dimm, Granum.

Henry Knechtel, who has been secretary of Tomahawk U.F.A. Local, wrote: "As you sent copies of the paper to several of our past members, we wish you would accept the enclosed \$2.50 as remuneration for the copies you have enabled them to read."

"As I enclose my \$1.00 for one year's subscription to *The Western Farm Leader* I also want to express my appreciation to the Editor for the good work and the unflinching courage he has bestowed these many years to the readers of the U.F.A. publications. I also want to give my sincere thanks for his continuation in the same work through *The Western Farm Leader*, which is needed more than ever before. Keep the fight going Mr. Editor, and the fruit will come in its own time."—J. B. Gulbrass, Irma.

"Yes, of course, am subscribing to *The Western Farm Leader*. Am perhaps a bit late sending in the dollar, but here it is enclosed."—Dick Pyper, Clive.

"Wishing your paper success."—A.

"Your paper fills a great need for us farmers."—Wm. A. Walker, Boyle.

"Enclosed please find one dollar to pay my subscription to *The Western Farm Leader*. May it continue to give us the whole truth and nothing but the truth for ever. Best wishes for the success of the enterprise. Cordially yours."—E. K. Martinsen, Compeer.

"Please find enclosed \$1.00 for *The Western Farm Leader*. This was the first sample paper I got. Like it well."—Em. Reiswig, Blackfalds.

"Wishing the paper every success."—S. Eggleston, Lethbridge.

"I am enclosing \$1.00 for subscription. It should have been sent sooner so that I would not have missed the last copy. If you have not a copy of that last issue left never mind, but I would appreciate one if there is one left. . . . I appreciate your efforts and hope you will succeed. . . . Wishing you successful progress."—G. E. A. Malchow, Staveland.

"We as the Junior U.F.A. appreciate very much that you are allowing us space in your paper."—Carl Unterschultz, Fort Saskatchewan.

"We wish you every success in your new endeavor."—R. D. Meston, Bingley.

"Very glad to have a paper like *The United Farmer*, and wish you the best of luck."—Uri Powell, Pres. of Grande Prairie Prov. Const. Ass., Sexsmith.

"Wishing you success."—W. L. Cone, Innisfail.

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### CORRECTION

The name of Mrs. Beatrice E. Heath of Lacombe, contributor of the article "No Country is Safe From Danger" was accidentally omitted from the first prints of Page 10.



## Interests of

## The United Farm Women.

## "No Country Is Safe From Danger"

—Lord Tweedsmuir

By MRS. BEATRICE E. HEATH, Lacombe

When I read the above words, I felt the lovely thrill one gets when one's own ideas are given to the general public by someone who "matters."

These words were spoken by Lord Tweedsmuir at a banquet in Calgary, so they must bear weight with even the most sceptical. He also added, "Canada should think out an adequate policy of defence and take steps to implement it." Mark those last words, "take steps to implement it." Those are precisely my sentiments, and I am reminded of what Mr. Bruce, High Commissioner for the Commonwealth of Australia in England (and former Premier of that Dominion), said. He gave it as his considered opinion that the Dominions should help pay for the plan of defence that the British Government are implementing, as they indirectly benefit to a large degree by the keeping open of trade routes.

## An Enlightening Discussion

Now, I wonder how many U.F.W.A. Locals and other women's organizations have discussed the subject of an Isolation Policy for Canada. Our Local did, and we had the great privilege of having with us the Hon. Irene Parlbay. It was, to say the least of it, enlightening, and in my humble estimation, very worth while. Those, and I must confess it was the majority, who were anti-isolationists, were considered by the minority to be desirous of war. But that is such a colossal mistake.

I know one of the planks of the U.F.A. is peace—I'm all for peace—but are we working in the best interests of peace by passing long resolutions against "WAR" every year, and applauding any representative of youth who gets up and says he or she will not fight, nor help Great Britain. I can see nothing very heroic about this, as, frankly, these statements are made by children who really do not know of what they are talking. They are the words put parrotwise into their mouths to be spread abroad with their young voices, young voices earnest and full of conviction that they are voicing profound truths just discovered by the youth of to-day.

## Need Plan for Peace

Are we right in teaching youth to say blindly, "I WILL NOT FIGHT"? Are we right in sending in those wonderfully comprehensive resolutions anent War? Wouldn't we

—In one of its aspects The Western Farm Leader is a forum for the expression of opinions upon issues of the day—Provincial, National, International. All our readers are not of one mind, and differences of opinion often provoke fruitful discussion.

Because the challenging views set forth in the following article are sincerely held and rooted in deep feeling, they are worthy of tolerant and thoughtful consideration. Our own opinions will be expressed from time to time on the editorial page and elsewhere. We are glad to give space for the presentation of the views of our contributor.—Editor.

be better employed seeking with Youth a plan for Peace, and studying with them any avenues there are that would make for peace between nations. Our resolutions surely should be all leading to solutions for peace, not even discussing War.

How can the youth of this country, never perhaps out of this Province, visualize in the slightest degree racial prejudices, religious differences, old grudges, between European nations, and, lastly, and above all, FEAR. Fear of encroachment on their boundaries, fear of loss of preferential treatment, fear of loss of colonies, fear of a competitor nation in the field of trade, etc., etc. . . .

## Experience of War

Youth can read, there are all sorts of books, ably written, on these subjects, but not one, nor all, can give you the understanding without living amongst these peoples and their ever present fears and hates. The best workers for peace are those who have lived through a war. Those of us, who have lived through nights of bombardment, and days of dread listening for the ghastly rat-a-tat-tat of the telegraph key, the ringing of the telephone, to tell us may be, we have the path of life to tread alone in future, or a hopeless, pitiful wreck of a man left to us to help and keep.

No sane man or woman wants that, but those who have had that experience know that war is not ended by saying, "We will not fight." No, war may (and I only say "may") be ended years hence by constructive and intensive education on how to keep PEACE.

May I quote again, and it is from a very fine address given by the Rev. R. B. Layton on Commemoration Day in Lacombe this year. He says: "The younger generation to-day is criticising the actions of the world of 1914. They are passing resolutions against war, which is indeed a commendable thing to do. For war is hell. But they are in no position to condemn what the Allies did in 1914. That is something beyond their experience. When they face the same situation with the same facts at their disposal, they may take the same kind of action. They will be dealing, not with theories, but with actualities."

Now, friends, isn't it easy, years after, to imagine some other course of action should have been taken in some certain event? Who has not

## Orphaned by General Franco's Legionnaires



Supplied by A. A. MacLeod, chairman of the Canadian League Against War and Fascism, who has just returned to Toronto from Madrid accompanied by representatives of the Spanish People's Front Government, the portrait is of one of the many orphan girls now being cared for by a committee set up on Premier Largo Cabbalero's instructions. The rebellion which has already been costly in human lives, is literally an invasion of Spain by Moorish troops and foreign legionnaires, with foreign Nazi and Fascist aides.

wished for another opportunity, and vowed, if only given another chance, his course of action would be different. I don't believe anyone—not Socrates himself, could give a perfect decision on some situation he had not faced himself. "Judge not —," how can the youth of to-day judge the youth of 1914?

## Decisions That May Be Derided

To-day's youth will probably make decisions that in 1936 will be derided. And how hurtful it is for us who have lost our dear ones in the last war, to be criticised by the 1936 models of ourselves; to feel that those that gave their all—"Greater love hath no man"—need not have suffered and died, according to the opinions of 1936. Believe me, in the next war, and there will be a next war despite these resolutions, the carnage will be greater, more horrible, and more swift than in the last. So let us be prepared.

One lady at our meeting expressed the sentiment that she did not bear her sons to be cannon fodder, but it is just being unprepared that makes our lads "cannon fodder." What nation, unless driven, would start a scrap with Hitler's Hordes, or Mussolini's Massed Millions? The pacifist answer to "how to keep peace?" is, most often, "Disarm, show your faith, look at Switzerland."

This last is the worst fallacy of all. People who point to Switzerland as the answer, fail to point out that

## Farm Home and Garden

**Fish Loaf:** 2 cups cooked fish, flaked, 1 cup soft bread crumbs, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon paprika, 1/2 teaspoon grated onion, 1 teaspoon lemon juice, 2 eggs beaten, 1 cup hot milk, 1 tablespoon finely chopped parsley. Mix all ingredients together. Pack into buttered baking dish. Bake in a moderate oven 350° F. until firm in centre—about 80 minutes. Serve with Drawn Butter or Egg Sauce.

**Chicken and Ham Loaf:** Follow recipe for Fish Loaf using 2 cups diced, cold chicken and one cup chopped cooked ham, instead of fish. Use only 1/4 cup bread crumbs. Serve hot or cold.

**Peach Pudding:** For Peach Pudding, add one cupful small bread cubes to two cupfuls scalded milk and let stand fifteen minutes. Beat two egg-yolks slightly, add three tablespoonfuls sugar and a speck of salt, then add the bread mixture and one-half teaspoonful vanilla. Pour into a greased casserole, set in pan of warm water and bake in a moderate oven for fifty minutes or until silver knife inserted in the centre of the custard comes out clean. Remove and cover the top of the pudding with a layer of sliced canned peaches. Then beat two egg-whites until stiff adding three tablespoonfuls granulated sugar gradually. Arrange on top of the peaches, return to a 300 degree oven and bake fifteen minutes. Serves six.

**Pineapple Pudding:** 1 cup soft bread crumbs, 1/2 cup grated pineapple, 1 egg, 1/4 cup butter. Beat eggs, add sugar, pineapple, crumbs, and melted butter. Bake in buttered baking dish 30 minutes in a moderate oven.

geographically Switzerland doesn't need more than a handful of men to protect the passes of the very nearly impregnable mountains which surround her. Haven't we read how many aeroplanes have come to grief on these mountains, so even they (the planes) are not the very real menace that they are to other countries. But because they have become an important factor in modern warfare, Switzerland is now taking steps to protect herself against them.

The fact that the League of Nations is housed in this country will act to some extent as a deterrent to most nations bombing and destroying, as it were, their own property. Switzerland is also not an attractive proposition commercially to her neighbors, her main sources of wealth being milk products, tourists, and yodellers!

I have written this in the hope of provoking discussion, and I am prepared to have myself torn to pieces in the process. I will welcome and try to answer any correspondence on this subject. (The columns of The Western Farm Leader are open for letters on this subject.—Editor.)

## Some Methods Suggested

Now, I have tried to make it clear that I feel we must try and work for PEACE, so my contribution is this: let us study a few things, (1) the proposed international policing of the world; (2) means whereby all profit would be taken out of the business of making the implements of war; and (3) a possible and workable method of conscripting all men and women regardless of office and positions, and (4) all wealth.

Now, if any of you have anything to add, let me have it. Don't let us forget that however earnestly we are working for some goal, there may be others going there too, but by a different route, and only by co-operation and an exchange of thought can we get all sides, and every question has more than one side.

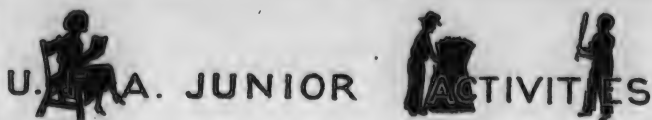
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## "SWEDEN, LAND OF ECONOMIC DEMOCRACY"

Dear Farm Young People:

I recently received a small booklet from the Co-operative League of the United States which I should like to recommend to all farm young people. If the members of the Farm Young People's organization would first get

copies for themselves, and read them, I think they would want all their friends to do the same thing; and if a sufficient number can be interested in the pamphlet, Alberta will make rapid advances, I am sure, in the practice of co-operation and make progress in other fields as well.

The booklet is entitled, "Sweden, Land of Economic Democracy," and its author, E. R. Bowen, gives a vivid word picture of the new sort of society which is arising in Sweden. There are illustrations and diagrams showing the growth of co-operation, and among other chapter headings are "How Swedish Citizens Act Through the Political State," "Swedish Labor Unions and Farmers' Co-operatives," "Widespread Power of Consumers' Co-operative Societies," "Education, by, for and of the People," "The Law and Private Industry."

### Will Canada Learn?

The last chapter is entitled, "Will America Learn from Sweden?" Applying the question to ourselves, we shall, as we read the booklet, be inclined to ask, "Will Canada, Will Alberta Learn from Sweden?" and then provide our own answer by actually applying the lesson.

I cannot take space to describe the booklet further, but will close with a quotation from the concluding paragraph:

"In the brighter days of more

being, not planted there by teaching. And what finer human emotion is there than Patriotism? It is the most unselfish love known in the world. A mother loves her children because they are the "jewels in her crown," because they are the living proof of the love that is hers, but a man's love of country has no rhyme nor reason—no thought of gain, more often than not death, disablement, or bitter criticism will be their lot; but knowing all this, their love of their native land rises sublime in them in time of need.

"Is there a man with soul so dead, Who never to himself hath said, This is my own, my native land."

I feel I could continue indefinitely on this subject, which is one of the most important confronting us to-day, and to which we women can contribute much useful thought and endeavor, so I close with this thought that in the future we work not so much to prevent War, but bend our every effort to the promotion of PEACE.

### Activities of Farm Women's Locals

A most enjoyable picnic at Pine Lake in which 57 took part was held a few weeks ago by Three Hills U.F.W.A., Mrs. William Burns, secretary, reports. The Local were hosts to the District U.F.W.A. Convention. One member gave an interesting talk on Edna Jacques' poetry. A tea and food sale later resulted in the raising of \$15. and last week Miss McIntyre gave a lecture on "Easily prepared supper dishes," 35 ladies attending. "We can recommend this lecture to all Locals; it is splendid," writes Mrs. Burns.

"A Visit with John Greenleaf Whittier" was enjoyed recently by members of Starline U.F.W.A.; Claresholm, writes Mrs. G. E. Toone, secretary. Mrs. George Leopold, who was the leader, called upon each member in turn to read from his poems. This meeting was held at the home of Mrs. J. L. Strang. At another meeting roll call was answered with poems by James Whitcomb Riley, and the President, Mrs. R. S. Thomas, gave a paper on Sir Walter Scott. This

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prosperous times we in America were apt to regard these unpretentious Scandinavians as possessing the earmarks of a decaying civilization. Here were a strange people who were not possessed of an impelling desire to own and exploit empires of land and wealth. How, we may have asked, could such a people possibly possess those virile qualities upon which the

was at the home of Mrs. J. C. Strang. "The outstanding paper of the year was given by Mrs. E. W. Brown, on Shakespeare." At recent meetings a rather novel way of getting a little money has been adopted. First a gift is made, and then each member pays a little for a draw or guess.

Organized by Mrs. A. J. Beamer, a new Local U.F.W.A. has been formed in the Grande Prairie, at Westvale. Mrs. A. W. Murphy is president and Mrs. Beamer, secretary. Nineteen members were enrolled at the organization meeting.

continuance of the life blood of a civilization depends? Now that the dominant acquisitive philosophy which built the colossus that crashed about our ears has lost much of the glamor and bluster which held us spellbound in the golden twenties, the steady and uninterrupted advance of Sweden's people in achieving a more orderly and abundant life appears through the mists of these confused times as a beacon and a guide for our uncertain steps.

The booklet may be obtained from "The Co-operative League, 167 West Twelfth St., New York," and the price is 15 cents.

Yours sincerely,  
THE EDITOR.

Clairmont Junior U.F.A. Local have held a meeting each month since they were organized, and are having good luck in getting members. All who have not already done so plan to pay their dues after the busy season is over.

## HOW IT BEGAN By Paul F. Berdanier



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Too often, breeders of livestock in Alberta are content to add to their flocks and herds by picking up whatever may be offered for sale in their neighborhood, and without regard to the ancestry or individual worth of the animals involved. With such sales as the Calgary events of next week within grasp, there is little excuse for anyone failing to make a contribution to their flocks or herds when securing additional breeding stock. It is the record of the Calgary fall sales in making these contributions, that has made them such unrivalled successes year after year. The fall sales are more than a series of selling and buying transactions. They are foundation stones in the building up of a superior livestock industry.

Aiming to bring about the regulation of the prices of staple foodstuffs, "the Edmonton consumers' council" is being organized.

## Trend of Livestock Marketings

### This Year's and Last Year's Price Tendencies Are Reviewed

By OBSERVER

More cattle, lower prices. Less hogs and sheep and higher prices. This seems to be the trend of livestock marketings this year.

Looking over the figures for the month of July we find that both the Calgary and Edmonton cattle markets were poorer in that month than in the same month of 1935. The average price paid for all the cattle marketed at Edmonton in July was \$2.13. In July, 1935, the average was \$3.26. A similar drop is recorded for Calgary with \$2.49 per hundred pounds as the figure for July, 1936, compared with \$2.78 for the same month of 1935.

The total cattle marketings at Alberta stockyards for the period January to August (both months inclusive) this year was 113,568. In 1935 the total marketings for the same period was 77,683.

Calf marketings at Edmonton improved in July this year. The average price paid per 100 pounds was \$3.17. In 1935 it was \$2.74. Calgary did not follow Edmonton in this department however, the figure of \$2.93 being the average for July, 1936 and \$3.42 for July, 1935.

Hogs were stronger at Edmonton, the average price paid for all hogs marketed being \$8.19 compared with \$7.80 for July, 1935, but again the Calgary market failed to align itself with Edmonton, the Calgary average for this year being \$7.96 compared with \$8.13 for July of last year.

Total swine marketings at Alberta stockyards for January-August period this year was 305,348 head, compared with 320,857 hogs in the same period last year.

Sheep and lambs were stronger at both marketing centres. The average for the July marketings at Edmonton this year was \$4.18. Last July it was \$3.44. At Calgary this year's average was \$4.98 compared with the July, 1935, average of \$4.54.

Here again decreased marketings are shown for this year. In the January-August period 42,279 head of sheep and lambs went through the Alberta stockyards, while for the same period of 1935 the total was 53,361 head.

Despite opposition, the New Zealand Government is forging ahead with its policy of guaranteed prices for dairy products. On August 1st, the Government assumed complete control of butter and cheese exports from that Dominion. As exports account for the great bulk of the production, this action represents practical control of the New Zealand industry, in so far as sales are concerned.

The prices for the season have been fixed at the equivalent of 28.14 cents per pound for finest grade creamery butter, 25.9 cents per pound for first grade whey butter, and 15.26 cents for first grade cheese. These prices are stated to have been based on an average of the past eight or ten years, which includes four low price years. A revision of the price will take place before next season on the report of a government committee. It is under-

## The Wheat Survey

Continued active demand for Canadian wheat has been marked and indications suggest that there may be no let-up until the new crops come in from the southern hemisphere early next year. Sales to October 3rd were some 15,000,000 bushels more than for the same period last year. Canada is supplying about 50 per cent of world trade. The United States took 12,000,000 bushels up to October 3rd, this being 5,000,000 more than last year, for the same period.

Marketings are slowing down in Western Canada, and from now on deliveries will be light. The Peace River is getting off its good crop, but the total is not large compared to the total production of the West. If export business keeps up the way it has been going there will be little carryover in Canada at the year-end.

The French action in de-valuating the franc caused some hesitation and let-up in trade, but that condition did not last for long and the lack of disturbance throughout the financial world created confidence. The threat of war persists in Europe and so nationals are reluctant about reducing tariffs on food supplies but may be forced to by a continually increasing price level. Living costs are mounting rapidly there.

The Turgeon commission will hold sessions in Western Canada to investigate grain marketing. Whether this will be a neutral fact-finding body or a political punitive expedition against the Wheat Pools remains to be seen. In Saskatchewan the latter belief seems predominant. The Saskatchewan Pool and the Federal Government are at loggerheads.

## Review of Livestock Markets

**CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Oct. 13th, 1936.**—The cattle market is moderately active with good cattle being steady. Half fat and common kinds are slow but moving. Stocker trade is fairly active. Good light veal calves are steady and heavy calves are slow. Hogs are steady with select \$8.10, hams \$7.60, butchers \$7.10 off trucks. Good lambs are \$5.00 to \$5.50. Good butchers steers are \$3.75 to \$4.35, common to medium \$2.00 to \$3.50. Good to choice heifers are \$2.75 to \$3.25, common to medium \$1.50 to \$2.50. Good cows are \$1.75 to \$2.00, common to medium \$1.25 to \$1.50. Good to choice veal calves are \$3.00 to \$3.25, medium and heavy calves \$2.25 to \$2.75, common \$1.50 to \$2.00. Good stocker and feeder steers are \$2.50 to \$3.00, a few fleshy short keep feeders \$3.50 to \$3.75, common \$1.50 to \$2.25.

## Milk and Cream Prices

Little noticeable change has taken place on all butter markets during the past week. The local market, however, shows operators selling on different price structure due to varied opinions with no solution forthcoming at the present time. Churn cream deliveries to Alberta creameries show an increase of 18.7 for the month of September as compared with those

stood the existing trade distribution arrangements overseas will be retained as far as possible.

Nor is price the only factor in the New Zealand Government's movement to stabilize the dairy industry. A scale of differential prices has been adopted with the object of encouraging quality. The grading system has not been altered in any way.

There is apparently a willingness on the part of New Zealand dairy producers, even among those opposed to the Government's marketing policy, to give the proposals a thorough test. With the policy definitely launched, indications of the manner of its operation should be apparent within a few months.

## Returns from Tour of South Country

### Vice-President Describes Conditions Among Farm People of the South

Returning from an extensive trip through south-western Alberta during which he visited most of the oil agencies of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative Association of that area, Mr. Priestley, Vice-President of the U.F.A., told *The Western Farm Leader* last week-end that conditions outside the irrigation projects viewed from the point of view of crop returns were exceedingly discouraging. He doubted it they had been as poor at any time since the years 1919 to 1922.

Price stabilization by the Dominion Government and higher world-price levels, though still regarded as unsatisfactory by farmers, had had a good effect. With No. 1 Northern cash-wheat ranging over ninety cents a bushel to the farmer, men worked with more heart to harvest the few bushels an acre which the drought had left them.

In the dry areas all harvest operations were cleaned up; but in the irrigated districts there was still much work to do. Around Raymond and Picture Butte the roads were kept busy with truck loads of sugar beets and hundreds of workers could be seen in the beet fields.

Mr. Priestley, accompanied by Arthur Riley of Central Office, visited the Maple Leaf Petroleum refinery at Coutts. He reports that notwithstanding the drought the Co-operative has had a very satisfactory volume of business in the south and that interest in co-operative distribution of farm products is growing in that area.

## EASIER MONEY IS EXPECTED

(Continued from page 1)

25 cents, it will be difficult for Canada to buy from Germany.

Another difficulty is that Germany wants to sell Canada manufactured goods largely of the types and classes either made by the United States or the United Kingdom, or manufactured in Canada. In exchange, Germany wants wheat, nickel, asbestos, etc.—mainly commodities which Canada just at the moment feels she would have no difficulty disposing of elsewhere. But taking the longer view, and meeting the German representatives half way, it is likely that a new agreement will be whacked out, as soon as the currency situation is clarified.

## Lower Duties on Textiles

Lower duties on British textiles appear to be fairly certain in the next budget. Much will depend on the report of the Turgeon royal commission, now about finished with its exhaustive study. The British now are in a position to make Canada "come through" if we want to retain our free entry into the United Kingdom for agricultural products. The impression is that Bennett made the British toe the line in '32, but in '37 we shall have to do a bit of toeing ourselves.

of the same period last year and with continued good weather it may be expected that October will show a like increase. Churn cream is based on 26c per pound for special grade, delivered Calgary. City milk is \$2.35 per hundred for 3.6 butter fat. Table cream 32c.

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—Protests to Premier

Strong opposition to the threatened licensing of newspapers for the purpose of making their contents subject to control by any government or its appointees, was expressed at the Convention of the Alberta Section of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association in Calgary last week. The Executive was commended for steps they had already taken to safeguard the rights of members against "government action aiming to curtail those principles of freedom which we as publishers value highly."

Embodying the editors' protest, the following letter was despatched to Premier Aberhart:

"Hon. William Aberhart, B.A.,  
"Premier of Alberta,  
"Edmonton.

"Dear Sir:

"The resolution committee of the annual convention of the above association submitted the following to the convention which instructed the executive to forward a copy to you immediately at the close of this convention: "Honorable Sir:

"The Alberta division of the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association in convention in Calgary October 9 and 10, 1936, wishes to file a formal protest with you against the misrepresentation of the aims and objects of Alberta newspapers as a whole, which has been taking place since your government assumed office, and against unwarranted attacks and charges that the independent newspapers of the province, meaning those which are not official organs of a political party, follow the practice of deliberately misrepresenting the news and deliberately publishing untruths for the purpose of influencing public opinion.

"In the opinion of this meeting there is no foundation for such charges and, if in your opinion, such deliberate misrepresentation and publication of untruths has taken place, we respectfully request that you or other offended parties seek redress in the courts under the existing laws, or state to which articles and newspapers you refer so that newspapers as a whole may cease to be placed in the unfair light in the eyes of the public in which they find themselves today.

"Signed,  
Executive Committee,  
Alberta Division,  
Canadian Weekly Newspaper  
Association.

"Per H. T. Halliwell, president."

## Growth of Influence Weekly Newspapers Is Made Apparent

McCrea's Absence from Convention Through Illness Much  
Regretted—H. T. Halliwell  
New President

One of the most successful Annual Conventions in its history was held by the Alberta Division of the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association in Calgary on Friday and Saturday last, when matters of concern to all weekly newspaper publishers in the Province were discussed. That the pronounced growth of these independent papers in influence in communities throughout Alberta and the very real contribution which they are making to the development of public spirit has made the weeklies of increasing importance in the life of the Province, was stressed by many of the guest speakers.

### Secretary's Absence Regretted

Much regret was expressed that H. G. McCrea, editor of the *Hanna*

## Displays Nazi Bomb Used by Rebels



Accompanied by representatives of the People's Front Government of Spain, A. A. MacLeod, President of the Canadian branch of the League Against War and Fascism, recently returned on board the *Queen Mary* from the war-torn republic, where he has spent several weeks. He discussed the present military and political situation in that country and in Europe and the recent Brussels Peace Congress at a mass meeting in Massey Hall, Toronto, this week. On Friday, October 30th, he will address an evening meeting in Calgary, to be held in the Western Canada High School. It is expected that he will speak in Edmonton the previous evening. In the picture, Mr. MacLeod is shown holding a partially exploded bomb which he brought from Madrid. It is of German origin and bears a German trade mark and numbering. It was dropped in Madrid by the rebel forces.

*Herald*, who as the energetic secretary of the Association has been a major factor in its development during recent years, was unable to attend owing to illness. His daughter, Miss Hazel McCrea, acted as secretary in his place throughout the sessions, and at its close the Convention unanimously urged Mr. McCrea to continue as secretary, with Miss McCrea as his assistant. Many wishes were expressed for the speedy restoration of his health. President G. C. Duncan, publisher of the *Drumheller Mail*, was an efficient chairman of the convention.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, H. T. Halliwell, editor of the *Coleman Journal*; P. T. Galbraith, *Red Deer Advocate*, first vice-president; Ralph C. Jessup, *Macleod Gazette*, second vice-president; executive committee: R. J.

## Canadian Wheat Flour Gives Greatest Weight of Bread per Barrel

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McGinnis, *Leduc Representative*, H. J. Ford, *Lacombe Globe*, and R. L. King, *Clareholm Local Press*. E. S. Duncan, *Banff Crag and Canyon*, and F. P. Galbraith, were empowered to continue as advisory committee relative to the printers' code.

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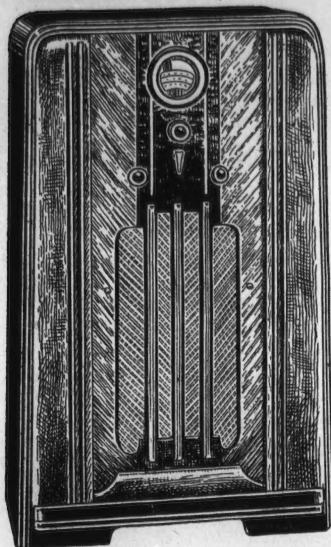
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and new arrangements of yesterday's favorites.

To cope with the overflow crowds that have been attending the Saturday night broadcast of Ambitious Amateurs over CFAC at 9:00, the show has been transferred from the studio to the Southam Building Auditorium in Calgary, but after two weeks there, capacity houses have the station officials wondering if there is any place larger enough to accommodate the Ambitious Amateur fans. Unlike most Amateur shows, this one is not a contest, rather it is an air-audition of promising talent of Calgary and district. CFAC's popular announcer, Jack Dennett, has lately taken over the M.C. job on this weekly half-hour, which was originally handled by M. V. Chestnut, program director of the station and under whose guidance Ambitious Amateurs attained such a prominent spot in CFAC's Saturday schedule.

If Fields and Hall with their pack of Mountaineers ever run short of a job with NBC in New York, they have only to come West to the Calgary Cowtown for a round of personal appearances. During the time that this gang of original hill-billies have been on CFAC through the medium of NBC Thesaurus transcriptions, the station has been deluged with letters and phone calls, inquiries and offers for all sorts of parties, barn-dances and country socials. All of which proves the popularity of this daily show, Monday through Friday, at 1:15 p.m. They offer genuine hill-billy tunes, a flock of funny frolics and some sugar-coated philosophy that marks them the tops of CFAC's daily entertainers. —Advt.

### That's Different!

Husband (in angry tone)—Who told you to put that paper on the wall?

Decorator—Your wife, sir.

Husband (mildly)—Pretty, isn't it?



By SYDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks!

Our attention has been called to the fact that *The Albertan* columnist is quite openly and flagrantly imitating this column, including "Alberta Limericks" and right down to the "last line."

No wonder the circulation of that paper is increasing.

However, by the time *The Albertan* columnist has been running a column as long as we have, he'll probably get some ideas of his own. If he doesn't, we have lots we can give him.

Once upon a time "Read it in the morning while it is still news" or words to that effect used to be a slogan of the *Calgary Albertan*. And would you believe it, a week AFTER *The Western Farm Leader* had told the world that Rev. W. F. Kelloway had received a threatening Nazi letter, our morning contemporary splurged the same story across its front page.

We're gonna suggest to the boss that he start a slogan: "Read it in *The Western Farm Leader* before the *Albertan* copies it."

We see that Dick Harrison of the *Border Cities Star* has also joined the staff of the *Albertan* columnist. Dick doesn't know it yet, but he will.

### ISN'T IT THE TRUTH

Even a high brow admires a low neck.

### TODAY'S BRIGHT THOUGHT

There is always the danger of a collision with a single track mind.

And that reminds us that the best way to forget the faults of others is to remember your own.

Communication from Mister Gloom declares that times are getting so tough that even the guy who delivers the pay cheques apologizes.

### WHY TEACHERS GET GRAY

"Esau was a mighty hunter who wrote fables and sold them for a mess of Potash."

Postcard from Cynical Gus declares that it's not what a map stands for that is important, but it's what he falls for that counts.

### OCTOBER

Dusty, Rusty bracken;  
Thistledown afloat;  
Hills blue-shadowed and with-drawn  
To distances remote.

Milkweed feathers blowing  
From a frosted pod;  
A cocoon spun upon a spray  
Of fading goldenrod.

Cricket banjos in a field  
Of rustling corn tepees;  
Apples on the ground beneath  
A row of pippin trees.

The arrogance of summer  
Subdued somehow and sober,  
Smoke and bonfires, falling  
leaves.

One last rose—OCTOBER.  
—Ethel Romig Fuller.

Bridge experts are reported to have worked out a perfect defence against the "squeeze." And harassed Alberta taxpayers, no doubt, would like to learn the system.

### WHO CAN HE MEAN?

Dear Mustard: They say you get wisdom from the mouths of fools. Maybel! But you most gen'rally always get enough fool-

## SPORT

The all-star Winnipeg rugby team made mincemeat out of the Calgary Bronks in the two game series played over last week-end. It was pitiful to see the way the big, tough Winnipeggers, the bulk of whom are the pick of the middle west (both United States and Canada) rip and tear the youthful Calgary team to shreds and batter boys only a year or so out of high school, into a bunch of cripples.

Winnipeg took no chance on being surprised, as was Regina. They took Harrison, star Calgary kicker, out of the play at the start of each game. This insured them victory. Harrison was clipped high and hard each time and his face was a smear. Kabat, Nicklin, Ceretti, Mogul, Peschel, Fritz, Oja, Olander, Marquardt (sounds like the muster role of an European army) all mighty men, smeared the Calgary boys on almost every play. The elusive little Hanson dodged and danced around the Bronks and ran them dizzy. Without a kicker and with a comparatively light line the Bronks did well to hold the first game to a 16-6 score. In the second game they faded away and Winnipeg won 23-0.

Winnipeg and Regina are in a class by themselves. The former has a slight edge but they are going to have to battle to defeat the Rough Riders. The winner should go on to capture the Canadian title. We doubt if two better rugby machines exist in Canada to-day.

The New York Yanks outclassed the Giants and finished the baseball season with a most impressive record. Their pitchers failed to show sensationally in the world's series even although Gomez did make a comeback. But the battering power of their attack buried the faltering Terrymen under an avalanche of runs that the Giants could not match. Jake Powell, obtained in mid-season from Washington, was the outstanding Yank hitter and was ably assisted by Selkirk, the Canadian, Rolfe, Di Maggio and others.

ish talk from fools to camouflage what little bit of wisdom there might be. Even at that, you often hear fool talk from guys who set up to be wise men.

—Dreamy Dan'l, Carbon.

Another of life's great mysteries is why they call a man's wife his better half when she always sees the worst side of him?

Down in Ontario, east of here, a guy named Good has been sent to the penitentiary for two years. No doubt the authorities thought it was BEST to make GOOD Better.

### ADVICE TO CERTAIN SPEAKERS

No man can make his mark in the world by making uncompimentary remarks about others.

Sometimes a molehill of truth will cause a mountain of trouble.

Radiogram from Knotty Frankie declares that a wise man is one who gives his wife what she wants and not what she needs.

Fern of Fernie wants to know why this column is still unmarried. Why, Fern, we escaped from the Jane Gang.

### BEAUTY HINTS

Frowns cause wrinkles  
There's no doubt;  
But happy laughter  
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It sound kinda funny, but although there is always room on the top it pays to keep on the level.

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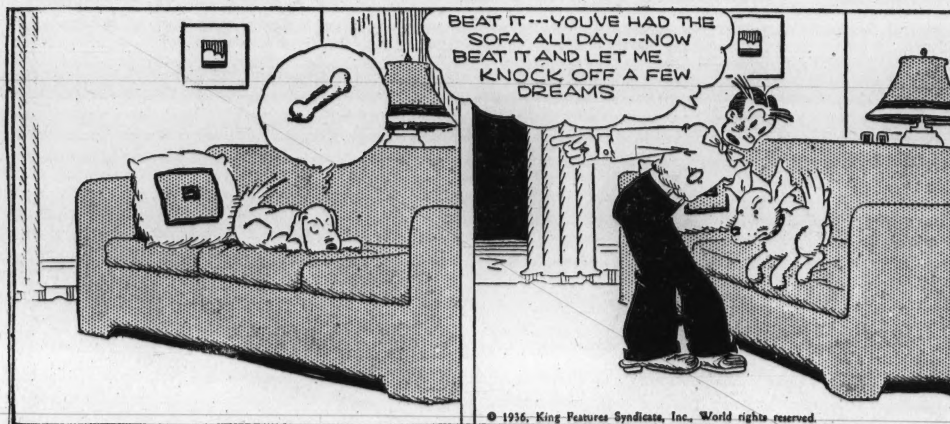
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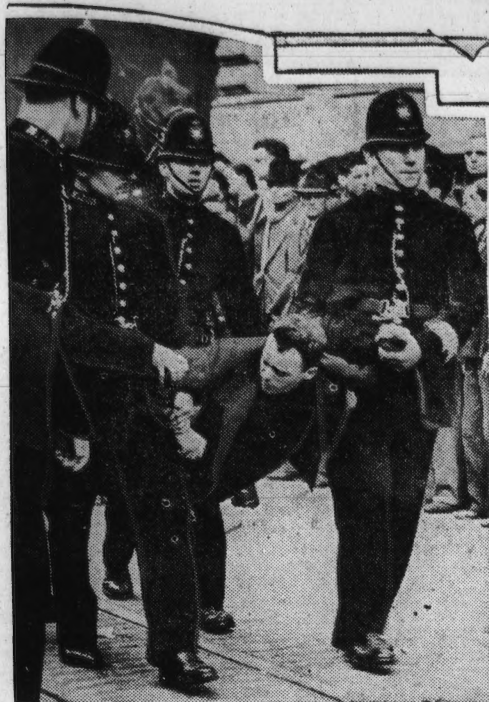
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## PICTURES OF CURRENT NEWS INTEREST

### Fascist Provocation Fails in London and Paris



The rallying cry "They Shall Not Pass" famous slogan of the French armies at Verdun during the Great War, was raised in both Paris and London last week by opponents of the subsidized semi-military forces which have been raised in both Britain and France for the purpose of subverting democracy and freedom in those countries.

In London, Sir Oswald Mosley and his followers arranged a provocative demonstration for the purpose of inciting non-Jews in the East End of London against the Jewish sections of the population. The mayors of five East End boroughs asked the Government to prevent the demonstration, but without success. Half a million anti-Fascists, ranging from cautious trades unionists and members of the middle classes of conservative leanings, on the right, to Communists on the left,—Gentile, Jew, Catholic and Protestant—mobilized to stop the parade. They did. Fenner Brockway of the Independent Labor Party telephoned the Home Secretary, Sir John Simon, describing the great force arrayed against Mosley, and Simon directed the police to order the abandonment of the demonstration.

Immediately following this episode, Mosley left for Berlin to consult with Hitler in regard to future Fascist strategy. He is now a frequent visitor to Berlin and Rome, for private conferences. The British Labor

Party in annual conference demanded a Government investigation into the sources of British Fascists' funds, some of which it is known come from wealthy British interests, but part of which it is suspected, comes from abroad. British Fascists, with Lord Rothermere's Fascist *Daily Mail* and *Evening News* and some other influential Conservatives supporting them, gave encouragement to Mussolini during the Ethiopian struggle; to Hitler in his aggressive policies, and to the rebels in Spain, although in all three of these cases not only was the authority of the League of Nations defied, but vital interests of British capitalist democracy were threatened.

The pictures show (1) London police making an arrest during the disturbances which stopped Mosley's advance; (2) Mosley receiving the Fascist salute just before the march commenced; (3) lower left of this page, anti-Fascist demonstrators being driven from a barricade in the vicinity of Mark Lane. These pictures were rushed across the Atlantic aboard the "Zeppelin" Hindenburg. It was pointed out by those who favored the stopping of the demonstration to insult the Jews, that if Orangemen should parade into a Catholic quarter to insult Catholics, or Catholics into an Orange quarter to insult Orangemen, police would intervene as a matter of course.

### Paris Police Clash With Fascists



Many minor casualties, resulting in sore heads and aching bones, resulted from a clash between Fascists and anti-Fascists in the Parc des Princes, when a rally of the People's Front forces was attacked by Col. de la Roque's forces. The attack failed, and the rally was carried on, after Fascists had been routed. Later, the police raided de la Roque's residence, and discovered there incriminating evidence. One of the "exhibits" was a dagger which carried the swastika sign of the Nazi movement, one of whose aims is the eventual destruction of France.

In the picture mobile guards and police are shown in conflict with Fascists during the disturbance. One of them is seen about to be hit over the head and another receiving a policeman's valedictory toe.